

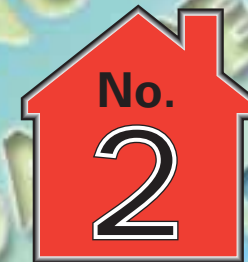
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DOMESTIC HEATING APPLIANCES

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DOMESTIC HEATING APPLIANCES

This guidance note is intended to provide awareness and information to anyone engaged in the installation of heating appliances, heating systems and associated works within existing dwellings. It gives advice on:




-  how to make an application
-  when Building Regulations are necessary
-  general requirements

Statutory approvals are required for certain works. These are:

-  installation of new heating appliances, heating systems and associated works
-  converting existing heating appliances, e.g. from an open fire to room heaters, oil, gas appliances, etc.
-  carrying out associated works, e.g. new flue, altering an existing flue, fitting heating controls, insulation of heating services, cutting and drilling of structural floor joists etc.

BUILDING REGULATIONS

The purpose of Building Regulations is to:

-  protect the health and safety of occupants within buildings and those in close proximity to them
-  ensure any products of combustion are safely discharged into the atmosphere
-  ensure conservation of fuel and power (i.e. appropriate thermostatic controls and thermal insulation)

WHEN IS NOTIFICATION REQUIRED?

Where the work is being carried out under the terms of an authorised Competent Persons self-certification scheme (e.g., CORGI, HETAS, OFTEC), no advance notification to Building Control is needed. At the completion of the work, the registered Competent Person will provide the building owner with a certificate confirming that the installation has been carried out in accordance with the relevant regulations, and the scheme operator will notify the Council to that effect.

WORKS

If a “Competent Person” is not carrying out the work, the Building Control Unit must be notified prior to the work starting.

Once notified, site inspections will be carried out to ensure compliance with the Building Regulations.

Provided that the works are in compliance with the Building Regulations, a Completion Certificate may be issued.

NOTIFICATION

Contractors should be aware of Building Regulation criteria and procedures associated with the installation of heating appliances, heating systems and associated construction works.

Generally it is the dwelling owner who gives the appropriate notification, pays the charges and engages a contractor to carry out the work. However, a contractor may be engaged to carry out the whole or part of the process.